

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE MISSOURI AEROSPACE TRAINING CONSORTIUM

WHEREAS, Missouri's community colleges work closely with manufacturers, the Missouri Department of Economic Development, and regional economic developers to provide customized training designed to meet each manufacturer's workforce needs; and

WHEREAS, Missouri's community colleges have a strong culture of cooperation and collaboration, as evidenced by their fifty year-long alliance through the Missouri Community College Association and their shared work on U.S. Department of Labor-funded statewide programs that train Missourians for healthcare and manufacturing jobs; and

WHEREAS, the community colleges represented by the undersigned, East Central College, Jefferson College, Mineral Area College, St. Charles Community College, and St. Louis Community College (hereinafter "the parties"), desire to establish a consortium that will provide training to ensure that Boeing and other aerospace manufacturers can meet their workforce needs; and

WHEREAS, the parties serve communities throughout the greater St. Louis metropolitan area and eastern Missouri; and

WHEREAS, the parties currently offer many programs that are directly related to aerospace manufacturing, including but not limited to programs in aerospace production and assembly, aviation and avionics, industrial maintenance, production, logistics, manufacturing technology, pneumatics, hydraulics, robotics and automation, engineering technology and support, precision machining, computer-integrated manufacturing, industrial engineering technology, quality control, supply chain management, automated electronics control systems, and welding; and

WHEREAS, the parties currently have significant resources available for training individuals for manufacturing jobs, including but not limited to specialized facilities such as an aerospace composites fabrication lab, an aerospace composites assembly lab, an aerospace mechanical/electrical lab, an aerospace metal structures lab, an industrial maintenance lab, and a programmable logic control lab. In addition, the parties have quality assurance and testing labs, materials labs, CNC and manual machining labs, casting and welding labs, CAD labs, electrical/electronic labs, and robotics/CIM labs, as well as capacity in general classroom space, offices, and computer labs; and

WHEREAS, the parties recognize the importance of aerospace manufacturing to Missouri's economy and the significance of Boeing's plan to bring thousands of jobs to Missouri.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by this agreement, the parties establish the Missouri Aerospace Training Consortium; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, consortium members will provide training in aerospace and advanced manufacturing through existing and newly designed or redesigned curricula specified by Boeing and other aerospace manufacturers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, consortium members will dedicate resources to training a workforce to meet the needs of Boeing and other aerospace manufacturers, including but not limited to general and specialized classroom space and instructors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, consortium members will make their best efforts to ensure that at least ten percent of training participants consortium-wide are minorities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, additional public colleges that have or develop training relationships with Boeing and/or other aerospace-related manufacturers may join the Missouri Aerospace Training Consortium.

Adopted on this fourth day of December, 2013, by:

EAST CENTRAL COLLEGE

By Dr. Jon Bauer, President

JEFFERSON COLLEGE

By Dr. Ray Cummiskey, President

MINERAL AREA COLLEGE

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ST. LOUIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

By Dr. Dennis Michaelis, Chancellor

ST. CHARLES COMMUNITY COLLEGE

By Dr. Ron Chesbrough, President